

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who distinguished himself as a leader of his community for many years; and

Whereas, George R. O'Brien was elected to the Palmyra R-I Board of Education in April 1983, and brought great commitment and steadfast dedication to his important terms of service first as secretary and then as vice president, the position he held at the time of his death on December 7, 2003; and

Whereas, George O'Brien worked to secure quality teachers and adequate funding for the Palmyra R-I School District as an exemplary member of the Board of Education for twenty-one years; and

Whereas, George O'Brien compiled an enviable list of service to the Palmyra community as a charter member of the Palmyra Jaycees, chairman of the 4-H and Future Farmers of America Swine Shows, 4-H leader in swine and woodworking, and member of the Palmyra Young Farmers and the Marion County Water District; and

Whereas, a church caretaker, chairman of the Church Administrative Council, and Church Youth Group assistant at the Palmyra United Methodist Church, George O'Brien provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a self-employed carpenter and farmer for more than forty years; and

Whereas, during his long and meaningful life, George O'Brien was blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife of forty years, Becky O'Brien; his three children, Tim O'Brien, Kelly O'Brien, and Colin O'Brien; and his two grandchildren, Kelsey and Tanner:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in paying tribute to the late George O'Brien, a remarkable individual and dedicated community leader whose contributions to the Palmyra R-I Board of Education and to the Palmyra community will continue to live on even in his absence; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the widow of the late George R. O'Brien.

Offered by _____
Representative Rachel Bringer
District No. 6

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. , adopted , 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker